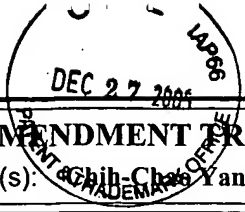


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In response to the Official Action issued September 20, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

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